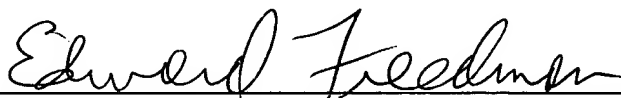


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Entry of this Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 4 has been amended as follows:

4. (Amended) A barrier rib material as claimed [as] in claim 1 [or claim 2], wherein: the mass ratio of the glass powder to the filler powder is from 65:35 to 85:15.